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Wisconsin **corn** production is forecast at 531 million bushels according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Crop Production* report. If realized, this will be Wisconsin's second largest corn production, trailing only 2016's 573 million bushels. Based on conditions as of August 1, yields are expected to average 177 bushels per acre, an increase of 3.0 bushels per acre from last year. An estimated 3.00 million acres will be harvested for grain.

**Soybean** production is forecast at 115 million bushels, up 13.9 million from last year. The yield is forecast at 50.0 bushels per acre, 3.0 bushels above 2017. Soybean planted acreage is estimated at 2.30 million acres with 2.29 million acres to be harvested. If realized, this will set a new harvested acres record, 150,000 acres above the previous record set last year.

**Winter wheat** production is forecast at 14.1 million bushels, up 2.52 million bushels from 2017. Yields are expected to average 64.0 bushels per acre, down 4.0 bushels from both the July forecast and last year. An estimated 220,000 acres will be harvested for grain.

**Oat** production is forecast at 6.50 million bushels, up 1.49 million bushels from 2017. The yield is forecast at 65.0 bushels per acre, down 12 bushels from July but up 6 bushels from 2017. An estimated 100,000 acres will be harvested for grain.

Wisconsin hay yield for **alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures** is forecast at 3.20 tons per acre, with a total production of 2.91 million tons, up 332,000 tons from 2017. The forecasted yield for **other hay** is 1.50 tons per acre, with a production of 585,000 tons.

The forecasts in this report are based on August 1 conditions and do not reflect weather effects since that time. The next crop production forecasts, based on conditions as of September 1, will be released on September 12.

## Area Harvested, Yield, and Production – Wisconsin and United States: 2017 and Forecasted August 1, 2018

State	Area harvested		Yield per acre		Production	
	2017	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)			(1,000)	(1,000)
<b>Wisconsin</b>						
Corn .....	2,930	3,000	174.0	177.0	509,820	531,000
Hay, alfalfa .....	860	910	3.00	3.20	2,580	2,912
Hay, other .....	390	390	2.30	1.50	897	585
Oats .....	85	100	59.0	65.0	5,015	6,500
Soybeans .....	2,140	2,290	47.0	50.0	100,580	114,500
Wheat, winter .....	170	220	68.0	64.0	11,560	14,080
<b>United states</b>						
Corn .....	82,703	81,770	176.6	178.4	14,604,067	14,586,485
Hay, alfalfa .....	16,563	17,351	3.32	3.33	55,068	57,778
Hay, other .....	37,221	37,717	2.05	1.88	76,387	70,726
Oats .....	801	1,009	61.7	65.1	49,391	65,668
Soybeans .....	89,552	88,862	49.1	51.6	4,391,553	4,585,916
Wheat, winter .....	25,291	24,816	50.2	47.9	1,269,437	1,189,199

## U.S. Corn Supply and Use <sup>1</sup>

CORN	2016-2017	2017-2018 (Est.)	2018-2019 <sup>2</sup> Projections August
	<i>(million bushels)</i>	<i>(million bushels)</i>	<i>(million bushels)</i>
Beginning stocks	1,737	2,293	2,027
Production	15,148	14,604	14,586
Imports	57	40	50
<b>Supply, total</b>	16,942	16,937	16,664
Feed & residual	5,470	5,450	5,525
Food, seed & industrial	6,885	7,060	7,105
<b>Domestic, total</b>	12,355	12,510	12,630
Exports	2,294	2,400	2,350
<b>Use, total</b>	14,649	14,910	14,980
<b>Ending stocks</b>	2,293	2,027	1,684
Avg. Farm price (\$/bu)	3.36	3.35 - 3.45	3.10 - 4.10

<sup>1</sup> Source: USDA OCE World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates Report  
<http://www.usda.gov/oce/commodity/wasde/index.htm>

<sup>2</sup> Preliminary

## U.S. Soybean Supply and Use <sup>1</sup>

SOYBEANS	2016-2017	2017-2018 (Est.)	2018-2019 <sup>2</sup> Projections August
	<i>(million bushels)</i>	<i>(million bushels)</i>	<i>(million bushels)</i>
Beginning stocks	197	302	430
Production	4,296	4,392	4,586
Imports	22	22	25
<b>Supply, total</b>	4,515	4,715	5,040
Crushings	1,901	2,040	2,060
Exports	2,166	2,110	2,060
Seed	105	104	103
Residual	41	32	33
<b>Use, total</b>	4,214	4,286	4,256
<b>Ending stocks</b>	302	430	785
Avg. Farm price (\$/bu)	9.47	9.35	7.65 - 10.15

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## United States Summary

Corn production is forecast at 14.6 billion bushels, down less than 1 percent from last year. Based on conditions as of August 1, yields are expected to average 178.4 bushels per acre, up 1.8 bushels from 2017. If realized, this will be the highest yield on record for the United States. Area harvested for grain is forecast at 81.8 million acres, unchanged from the June forecast, but down 1 percent from 2017.

Soybean production is forecast at 4.59 billion bushels, up 4 percent from last year. Based on conditions as of August 1, yields are expected to average 51.6 bushels per acre, up 2.5 bushels from last year. Area for harvest in the United States is forecast at 88.9 million acres, unchanged from the June forecast, but down 1 percent from 2017.

Winter wheat production is forecast at 1.19 billion bushels, down less than 1 percent from the July forecast and down 6 percent from 2017. As of August 1, the United States yield is forecast at 47.9 bushels per acre, down 0.1 bushel from last month and down 2.3 bushels from last year's average yield of 50.2 bushels per acre. The area expected to be harvested for grain totals 24.8 million acres, down slightly from last month and down 2 percent from last year.